

**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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IN RE APPLICATION OF:	)		
Bannen <i>et al.</i>	)		
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Serial No. 10/549,300	)	Examiner:	TBA
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Title Tie-2 Modulators and Methods of	)	Confirmation	3595
Use	)	No.:	
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir/Madam:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendment to the Specification** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendment to the Claims** begins on page 61 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 120 of this paper.

**CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION (37 C.F.R. 1.8)**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted to the USPTO via the USPTO EFS on January 31, 2007.

Date: January 31, 2007

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